

CITY OF HAYWARD AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE

AGENDA ITEM

06/07/05

WORK SESSION ITEM

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

City Manager

SUBJECT:

Rededication of Fire Station Number 1

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council, by motion, authorize the rededication of Fire Station Number 1 as outlined in this report.

BACKGROUND:

This year represents the ten-year anniversary of the Council's decision to fund the construction of a new main fire station. Construction of the new station was a significant event in the City's history. Not only did this decision result in the replacement of an aging facility with a new, seismically safe fire station, but equally important it served as a critical reinvestment in the downtown. (Shortly thereafter, the Council launched a number of initiatives which culminated with the decision to build a new City Hall as well.)

It is therefore fitting that the ten-year anniversary be acknowledged and recognized. To this end, a brief ceremony is planned for August. To commemorate this important milestone, staff proposes to have an appropriate plaque installed at the station. With the Council's concurrence, the plaque would include language that the station is being rededicated in honor of Matt Jimenez. This is recommended in recognition of his long and distinguished service to the fire profession. It is therefore recommended that the Council authorize staff to proceed with the planning for such an event, and with the preparation of the referenced plaque.

Jesús Armas City Manager